Cotton Seed Prices

2283. SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether cotton seeds are used in extraction of edible oil;

(b) whether due to fluctuation in prices of cotton seeds, the cotton growers are affected; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to stabilise the price of cotton seeds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The cotton seed growers are mainly concerned with the prices of cotton lint. Cotton seed is a by-product. It's prices may affect their earning to some extent. However, considering the present price level, cotton seed growers are placed in an advantageous position.

(c) Does not arise.

Outstanding amount of Sugarcane Price Payable to Sugarcane Growers

2284. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD:
SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the outstanding amount of Sugarcane price payable to sugarcane growers during 1990-91, State-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Union Government for the early payment of outstanding amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) Statement showing the Statewise position of arrears of sugarcane price during 1990-91 season upto 15.9.91, or latest available earlier reports from sugar factories, is given below.

(b) Ensuring timely payment of cane price by the sugar factories is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments who have got the necessary powers and field organisations to enforce such payments. Central government has requested the State Governments to take necessary steps to liquidate the cane price arrears.

STATEMENT

Statement Showing Statewise Arrears of Sugarcane Price During 1990-91 Season upto 15.9.1990, or Latest Available Earlier Reports from Sugar Factories.

(Figures in Lakh Rupees)

Sl.No	*State*	*Cane price arrears as reported by sugar factories*
1	*2*	*3*
1.	Punjab	682.13
2.	Haryana	167.65